

**U.S. District Court  
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)  
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:18-cv-02105-ABJ**

JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Assigned to: Judge Amy Berman Jackson  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 09/10/2018

Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
09/10/2018	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5680678) filed by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia, # <u>3</u> Summons U.S. Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons U.S. Department of Justice)(Bekesha, Michael) (Entered: 09/10/2018)
09/10/2018	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by JUDICIAL WATCH, INC. (Bekesha, Michael) (Entered: 09/10/2018)
09/10/2018		Case Assigned to Judge Amy Berman Jackson. (zmd) (Entered: 09/12/2018)

09/13/2018	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice and Consent) (zmd) (Entered: 09/13/2018)
09/20/2018	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/18/2018. ( Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/18/2018.), RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 9/20/2018., RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 9/20/2018 (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration of Cristina Rotaru)(Bekesha, Michael) Modified on 9/21/2018 to correct served/answer due date (jf). (Entered: 09/20/2018)
09/26/2018	<u>5</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Wyneva Johnson on behalf of All Defendants (Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 09/26/2018)
10/18/2018	<u>6</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 10/18/2018)
10/19/2018	<u>7</u>	ORDER. Before the Court in this FOIA case are a complaint and an answer. The requirements of Local Civil Rule 16.3 and Rule 26(f) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure appear to be inapplicable. Defendant shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiff, on or before November 19, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 10/19/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 10/19/2018)
10/25/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant shall file a dispositive motion or, in the alternative, a report setting forth the schedule for the completion of its production of documents to plaintiff, by 11/19/2018. (jth) (Entered: 10/25/2018)
11/19/2018	<u>8</u>	NOTICE to the Court by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
11/20/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The parties must file a joint status report by January 18, 2019. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 11/20/2018. (lcabj2) (Entered: 11/20/2018)
01/18/2019	<u>9</u>	Unopposed MOTION to Stay , MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>in Light of Lapse of Appropriations</i> by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hudak, Brian) (Entered: 01/18/2019)
01/22/2019		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>9</u> Motion to Stay. Defendant must notify the Court within two business days of the resumption of government operations and propose a revised schedule for the filing of a status report, if necessary. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 1/22/2019. (lcabj2) (Entered: 01/22/2019)
02/01/2019		MINUTE ORDER. While defendant has yet to file the required notice, it appears that government operations have resumed. Thus, the Court's January 22, 2019 minute order granting a stay of this case is hereby lifted. The parties must file a status report by February 22, 2019. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Amy Berman Jackson on 2/1/2019. (lcabj2) (Entered: 02/01/2019)